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For: **LONG LASTING AQUEOUS  
DISPERSIONS OR SUSPENSIONS OF  
PRESSURE-RESISTANT GAS-FILLED  
MICROVESICLES AND METHODS  
FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF**

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, before line 1, delete the insert and replace it with the  
following:

--This application is a division of Serial No. 08/740,653 filed October

31, 1996, which is a division of Serial No. 08/380,588 filed January 30,  
1995, now U.S. 5,578,191 which is a division of application Serial No.